

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

Sitting at Tokyo, Japan

Case No. I

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al

Prosecutors

Paper No. 730

- v -

ARAKI, Sadao, et al

Defendants

APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF ITAGAKI, Seishiro,
FOR AN ORDER FOR PRODUCTION OF WITNESS

Comes now the accused ITAGAKI, Seishiro and makes known to this Tribunal that he is desirous of obtaining from this Tribunal an order and process for its production of the following named person as witness in his behalf at this trial.

ENDO, Saburo - Nationality is Japanese
Government position - Lieutenant General
Present Address - Sugamo Prison, Tokyo

This application was not made earlier because arrangement had been made with this witness to appear without subpoena. He has this date (February 12, 1947) been taken into custody, is now in Sugamo Prison and cannot, of course, appear voluntarily.

The witness was a Staff Officer attached to the general staff office in Tokyo from 1929 to 1932 during which period the Mukden Incident occurred, and later in 1932 served as a staff officer of the Kwantung Army. In 1949 he became the Vice Chief of Staff of Kwantung Army.

This witness' testimony will show the attitude and measures taken by the General Staff Headquarters in Tokyo and by the Kwantung Army regarding the operations in Jehol, Tsitsihar, North China and also in regard to Tangku Truce.

The relevancy of the evidence which this witness will give is that the military operations in Jehol, Tsitsihar and in North China were not aggressive as alleged by the prosecution and that Tangku Truce was concluded in an effort to prevent the spread of fighting into China proper.

ITAGAKI, Seishiro

By YAMADA, Honzo

SASAGAWA, Tomoji

BANNO, Junkichi

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